



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **PJ-2**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER  
UPGRADE SEISMIC BRACING UTILITIES  
ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION COSTS  
CONTRACT PW-12641; MCCARTHY/CLARK/HUNT, A JOINT VENTURE  
SPECS. 6550; C.P. 70787  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1  
4 VOTES**

**JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER THAT  
YOUR BOARD:**

Increase the authority of the Director of Public Works to execute a change order for upgrading the seismic bracing of utilities in the Central Plant from \$1,350,000 to an amount not-to-exceed \$2,850,000.

### **REASON AND SCOPE**

Unforeseen condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regulatory agency requirement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Drawing coordination	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Previously approved scope change	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contract supplement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Errors and omissions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

On August 16, 2005, your Board approved a change order of \$1,350,000 for changes to the seismic bracing of utilities in the Central Plant. Upon completion of the revised Contract documents and after review of the contractor's seismic bracing shop drawing, the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development determined that additional structural steel was required in various locations of the roof deck in order to provide sufficient support for the increased gravity and lateral loads at the bracing points of connection. The cost of the additional steel is estimated to be approximately \$1,500,000.

Approving the recommended action will allow the contractor to continue to install the additional steel supports and complete the installation of seismic bracing. We estimate the total cost will not exceed \$2,850,000, including the previously approved amount, with no delay to the project completion date. Public Works has issued a proceed order for \$150,000 for work related to the additional structural steel in order to avoid delay impacts. The value of this proceed order is included in this recommendation. These costs are for seismic bracing of major mechanical and electrical systems covered by numerous Requests for Information and Bulletins for eight separate areas of the Central Plant. This work shall be addressed through separate and related change orders. The total cost is estimated not to exceed \$2,850,000. Cost negotiations of this change with the contractor have not been finalized. However, if the final value of the change order exceeds the cost estimate, we will return to your Board for approval.

We have reviewed the above recommendation as well as the potential cost impact with the Project Advisory Committee. This change order is considered to be within the scope of the project.

There is sufficient appropriation available in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Capital Projects Budget (C.P. 70787) to fund this action.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return an adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Administrative Office (Capital Projects Division) and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,



*for* DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

DAVID E. JANSSEN  
Chief Administrative Officer

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cc: County Counsel  
Department of Health Services (Fred Leaf)  
Project Advisory Committee (A. Redmond Doms, Jerry Epstein, Nick Patsaouras)